

FORM HCFA-179 (07-92)

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<p>Pregnant women and infants disregard. For families with earned income only, the State will disregard income in the amount of 90% of the federal poverty level for the size family involved as revised annually in the <i>Federal Register</i> rather than the \$90 disregard plus, and for infants only, the following amounts:</p> <table><tr><th>Household Size</th><th>Disregard</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>\$136</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>140</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>145</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>149</td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>156</td></tr><tr><td>6</td><td>161</td></tr><tr><td>7</td><td>165</td></tr><tr><td>8</td><td>170</td></tr><tr><td>9</td><td>177</td></tr><tr><td>10</td><td>181</td></tr><tr><td>Each add'l person</td><td>5</td></tr></table> <p>For families with unearned income only, the State will disregard income in the amount of 90% of the federal poverty level for the size family involved as revised annually in the <i>Federal Register</i>.</p>	Household Size	Disregard	1	\$136	2	140	3	145	4	149	5	156	6	161	7	165	8	170	9	177	10	181	Each add'l person	5	<p>AFDC applies earned income disregards of \$30 plus 1/3 of the remainder and \$90.</p>	<p>Pregnant women and infants poverty level group. § 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(IV).</p>
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<p>SSI recipient disregard. Disregard income of SSI recipients up to an amount that is the difference between the income standard and the federal benefit rate.</p>	<p>SSI has no similar disregard.</p>	<p>Individuals who meet more restrictive requirements than SSI. §1902(f)</p>																								
<p>Income disregard. Disregard the difference between the former AFDC income standards in effect on 7/16/96 and the income standards for the §1931 group.</p>	<p>No similar disregard in Title XIX.</p>	<p>All mandatory and optional categorically needy groups related to AFDC.</p>																								
<p>Census income disregard. Disregard earned income of temporary census employees who were recipients in Minnesota health care programs on or before March 1, 2000.</p>	<p>SSI and AFDC have no similar disregard.</p>	<p>All mandatory and optional categories in the Medicaid State Plan not subject to the limitation on FFP in section 1903(f) of the Act.</p>																								

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Income disregard for low income families. Disregard the difference between the §1931 income standard (Supplement 1 to Attachment 2.6-A, page 1) and 100 percent of the Federal poverty levels. Adjust annually on July 1.	AFDC applied a \$50 child support exclusion from income and a \$90 disregard of earned income to applicants and recipients. AFDC also applied a \$30 earned income disregard for 12 months to recipients. This income disregard replaces all of the above methods.	Low-income families. §1931
Income disregard for mandatory and optional categorically needy groups related to AFDC, and medically needy families. Disregard the difference between the medically needy income standard (Supplement 1 to Attachment 2.6-A, page 7) and 100 percent of the Federal poverty levels. Adjust annually on July 1.	AFDC applied a \$50 child support exclusion and a \$90 disregard of earned income. This income disregard replaces these two methods.	Qualified pregnant women, children and families. §§1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) and 1905(n). Optional categorically needy - families and children. §§ 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1905(a)(i) and 1905(a)(ii). Medically needy - families and children. §§ 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III), 1905(a)(i) and 1905(a)(ii).
Earned income disregard for low income families and children. Disregard 17 percent of earned income for four months for applicants or recipients.	AFDC had no similar disregard for applicants. AFDC applied to recipients a disregard of 1/3 of earned income for four months. This disregard applies to applicants, and for recipients replaces the four months of a 1/3 disregard of earned income.	Low income families. §1931
Earned income disregard for mandatory and optional categorically needy groups related to AFDC, and medically needy families. Disregard 17 percent of earned income for four months for applicants or recipients.	AFDC had no similar disregard for applicants. This disregard applies applicants and recipients.	Qualified pregnant women, children and families. §§ 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) and 1905(n) Optional categorically needy - families and children. §§ 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1905(a)(i) and 1905(a)(ii). Medically needy - families and children. §§ 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III), 1905(a)(i) and 1905(a)(ii).
Income Disregard for certain poverty level children. Disregard the difference between the income standard and income up to 170 percent of poverty. Adjust annually on July 1.	AFDC applied a \$50 child support exclusion from income and a \$90 disregard of earned income. This income disregard replaces both these methods.	Children age one through five. §1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VI) Children age six up to age 19, born after September 30, 1983. §1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VII).
Earned income disregard for poverty level children age 1-5. Disregard 21 percent of earned income for four months for applicants or recipients.	AFDC had no similar disregard for applicants. This disregard applies to applicants and recipients.	Children age one through five. §1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VI)

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT
State: MINNESOTA
MORE LIBERAL METHODS OF TREATING RESOURCES UNDER § 1902(r)(2) OF THE ACT
[X] § 1902(f) State [] Non-§ 1902(f) State

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Auto exclusion. Exclude one vehicle for each person that uses a vehicle for employment or for seeking employment.	AFDC has an auto exclusion of \$1,500.	Qualified pregnant women, children and families; §§ 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) and 1905(n). Optional categorically needy families with children §§ 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1905(a)(i) and 1905(a)(ii). Medically needy families with children. §§ 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III), 1905(a)(i) and 1905(a)(ii).
Additional property disregard. for low income and qualified families. Exclude \$14,000 \$9,000 in property not subject to other exclusions for one person, and exclude \$29,000 \$19,000 for two or more people.	AFDC applies a \$1,000 asset limit to families.	Qualified pregnant women, children and families; §§ 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) and 1905(n). Optional categorically needy families with children §§ 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1905(a)(i) and 1905(a)(ii). Medically needy families with children. 1902(a)(10)(C)
Child assets. Exclude all assets established under the Uniform Gift to Minors Act, and the child-owned portion of an account held jointly by an adult and child.	AFDC has no similar property exclusion.	Qualified pregnant women, children and families; §§ 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) and 1905(n). Optional categorically needy. §§ 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii), 1905(a)(i) and 1905(a)(ii). Medically needy families and children. §§ 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III), 1905(a)(i) and 1905(a)(ii).
Household goods and personal effects exclusion. Exclude such items as pets, furniture, clothing, jewelry, appliances, and other tools and equipment used in the home.	SSI excludes: 1 wedding ring and 1 engagement ring per individual regardless of value; prosthetic devices (wheelchairs, hospital beds, etc.) required by a person's physical condition; and \$2,000 in total equity for all other household goods and personal effects.	Qualified medicare beneficiaries. § 1902(a)(10)(E)(i). Qualified disabled working individuals. § 1902(a)(10)(E)(ii). Services limited medicare beneficiaries. § 1902(a)(10)(E)(iii). Qualified individuals. § 1902(a)(10)(E)(iv). Optional categorically needy -aged, blind, and disabled. § 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii). Medically needy -aged, blind, and disabled. § 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III).
Homestead exclusion. Exclude the homestead of a person residing in a long term care facility if it is used as the residence of the person's: · Sibling who lived in the home for at least 1 year immediately before the date of the client's admission to the long term care facility and who has an equity interest in the home; or · Adult child or grandchild who lived in the home for at least 2 years immediately before the date of the client's admission to the long term care facility and who provided verifiable care to the client to permit the client to live at home instead of the long term care facility.	SSI has no similar exclusion	Qualified medicare beneficiaries. § 1902(a)(10)(E)(i). Qualified disabled working individuals. § 1902(a)(10)(E)(ii). Services limited medicare beneficiaries. § 1902(a)(10)(E)(iii). Qualified individuals. § 1902(a)(10)(E)(iv). Optional categorically needy -aged, blind, and disabled. § 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii). Medically needy -aged, blind, and disabled. § 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III).
Additional Asset Exclusion: For one child living with a disabled or elderly individual, exclude an additional \$3,000, and \$200 for each additional child; for each child living with a disabled or elderly couple, exclude an additional \$200.	SSI has no such exclusions.	Mandatory categorically needy aged, blind and disabled under § 1902(f) Optional categorically needy -aged, blind, and disabled. § 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii). Medically needy -aged, blind, and disabled. § 1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III).
Resource Exclusion for Medically-Needy Children. Exclude all resources.	AFDC has no similar exclusion. SSI has no similar exclusion	Qualified children. § 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III) All optional categorically needy children. § 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii) Medically needy children. §§ 1902(a)(10)(C), 1905(a)(i)
Resource Exclusion for Qualified Pregnant Women. Exclude all resources.	AFDC has no similar exclusion.	Qualified pregnant women. § 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(III)

X The agency uses less restrictive income and/or resource methodologies than those in effect as of July 16, 1996, as follows:

For purposes of the gross income test, all income in excess of 185% will be disregarded.

A lump sum payment will be considered income in the month received and an asset thereafter.

The difference between the July 16, 1996 AFDC income standard and 100 percent of the current FPL, plus the cost of child (or incapacitated adult) care necessary for employment, plus the amount of any payments of court ordered child support, plus 17 percent of earned income for the first four months in which earnings are counted is disregarded; or the AFDC disregards in effect on July 16, 1996, whichever is to the family's advantage.

The agency disregards the difference between the 1931 income standard and 100 percent of the Federal poverty levels, adjusted annually on July 1st to reflect the levels previously published in the Federal Register for the year.

The agency disregards 17 percent of earned income for four months for applicants and recipients.

The agency excludes one vehicle for each person that uses a vehicle for employment or for seeking employment.

The agency excludes IRA's, 401(k) plans, 403(b) plans, Keogh plans and other individually-owned pension and retirement funds.

The agency excludes court-ordered settlements up to \$10,000

The agency excludes ~~\$14,000~~ \$9,000 in property not subject to other exclusions for one person and ~~\$29,000~~ \$19,000 not subject to other exclusions for two or more people.

The agency excludes all assets established under the Uniform Gift to Minors Act, and the child-owned portion of an account held jointly by an adult and child.

 The agency terminates medical assistance (except for certain pregnant women and children) for individuals who fail to meet TANF work requirements.

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